**World History - Exploration Extension Assignment**

**Background:**

**The Age of exploration was one of the most exciting and pivotal periods in human history. As nations competed to discover and establish new routes of travel and areas to control, they unknowingly changed the world forever.**

**Your Assignment:**

1. **Answer the following**
   1. **Why did Europeans explore the world?**
   2. **What inventions enabled/improved these explorations?**
   3. **Which countries were involved in world exploration between 1400-1800 CE? Who were their most famous explorers and where did they travel/what were their accomplishments?**
2. **Select one (1) modern country that was “discovered” by European explorers and discuss how it was and continues to be influenced as a result. (i.e. language, culture, religion, government, politics, history)**
3. **Write a short essay describing the lasting significance of the Age of Exploration. Be sure to include how discoveries changed the lives of people living in Europe as well as those in areas discovered.**

**\* Be sure to include citations!!!**